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A SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH BASE IN ONE OF THE NEW ZONES...
NO... NO! IF I'D KNOWN YOU WERE GOING TO USE THESE FACILITIES FOR YOUR OWN EVIL EXPERIMENTS, I WOULD NEVER HAVE ALLOWED YOU TO WORK HERE!

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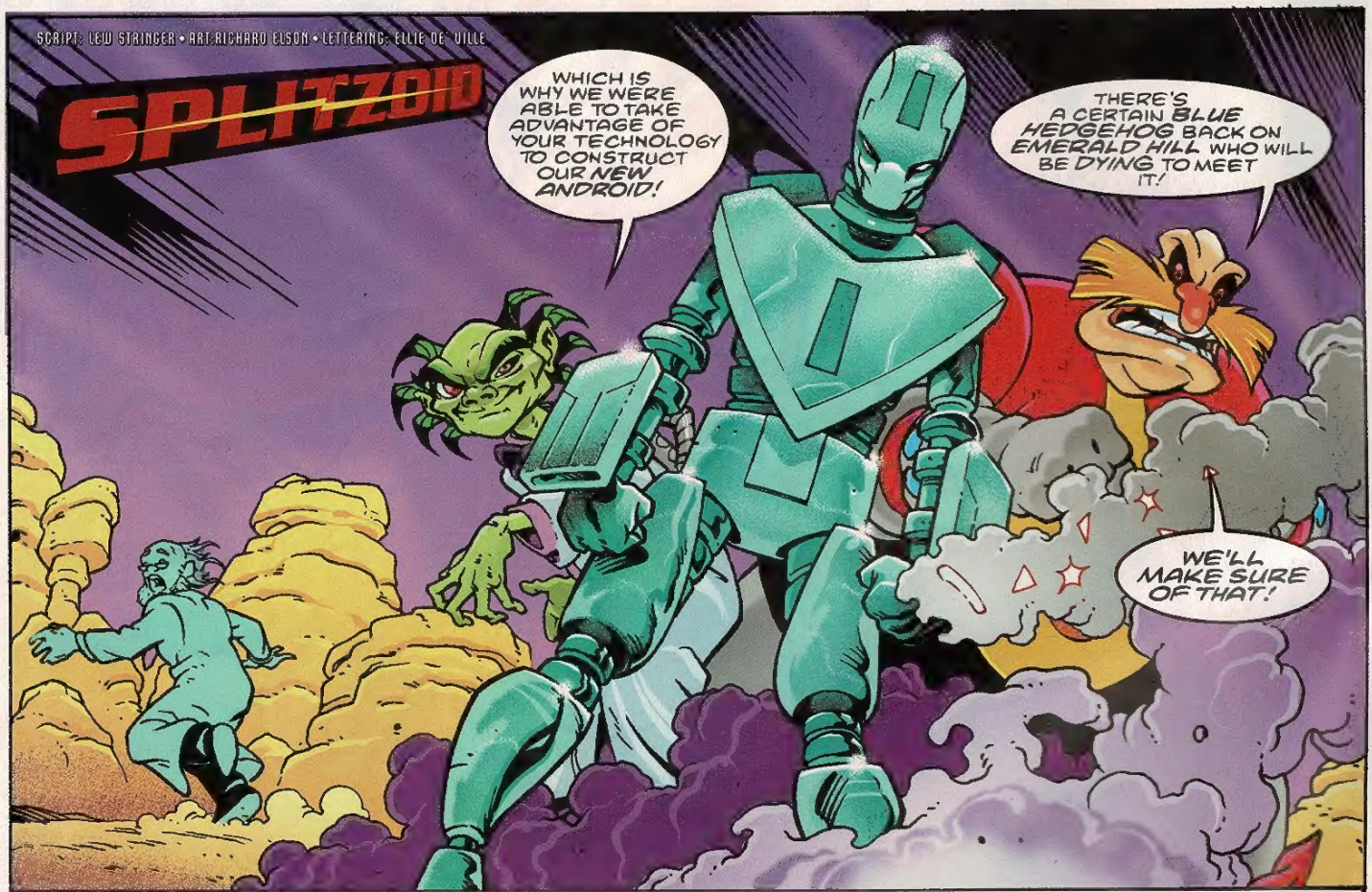
SPLITZOID


WHICH IS WHY WE WERE ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR TECHNOLOGY TO CONSTRUCT OUR NEW ANDROID!
THERE'S A CERTAIN BLUE HEDGEHOG BACK ON EMERALD HILL WHO WILL BE DYING TO MEET IT!
WE'LL MAKE SURE OF THAT!

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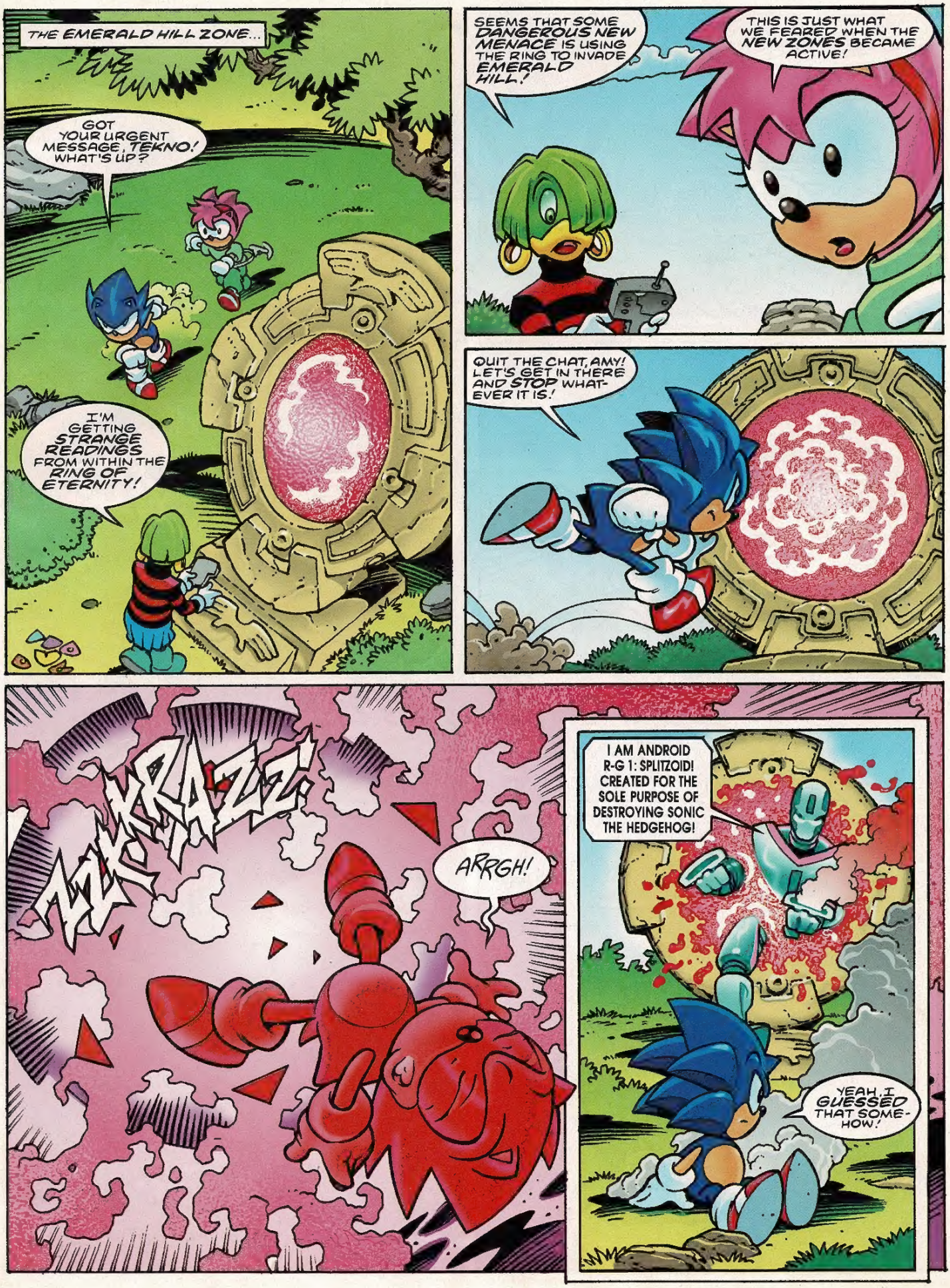
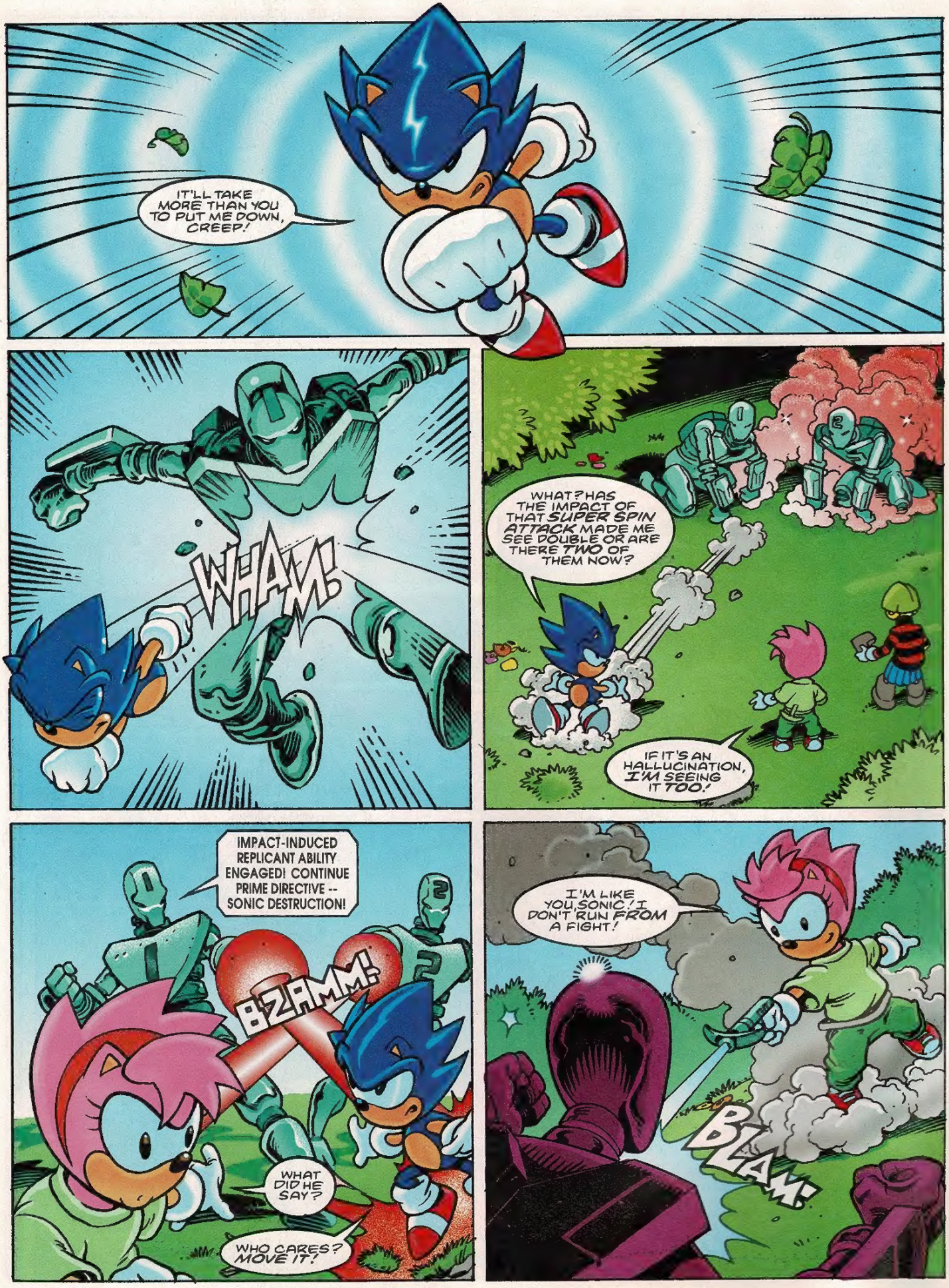
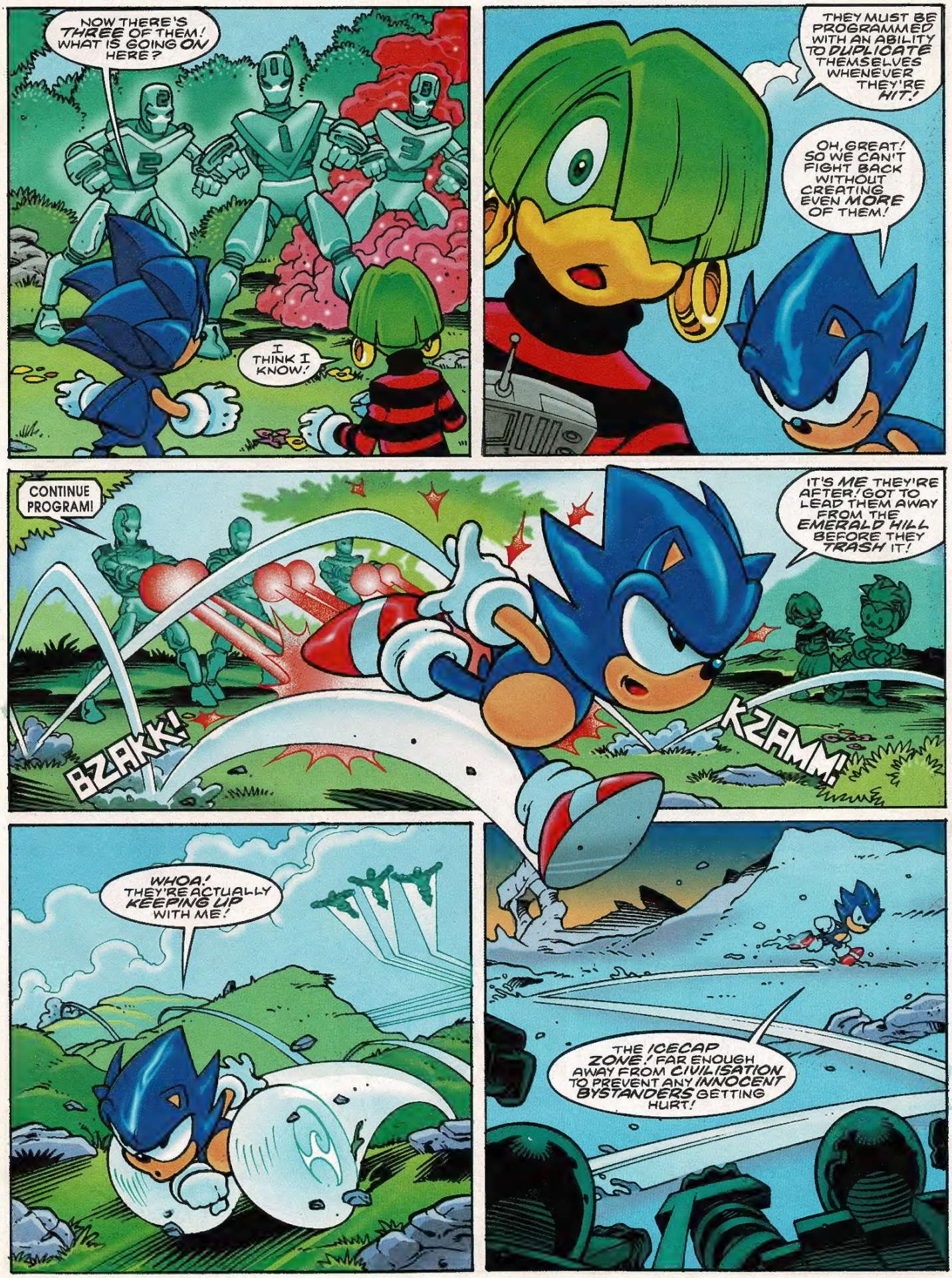
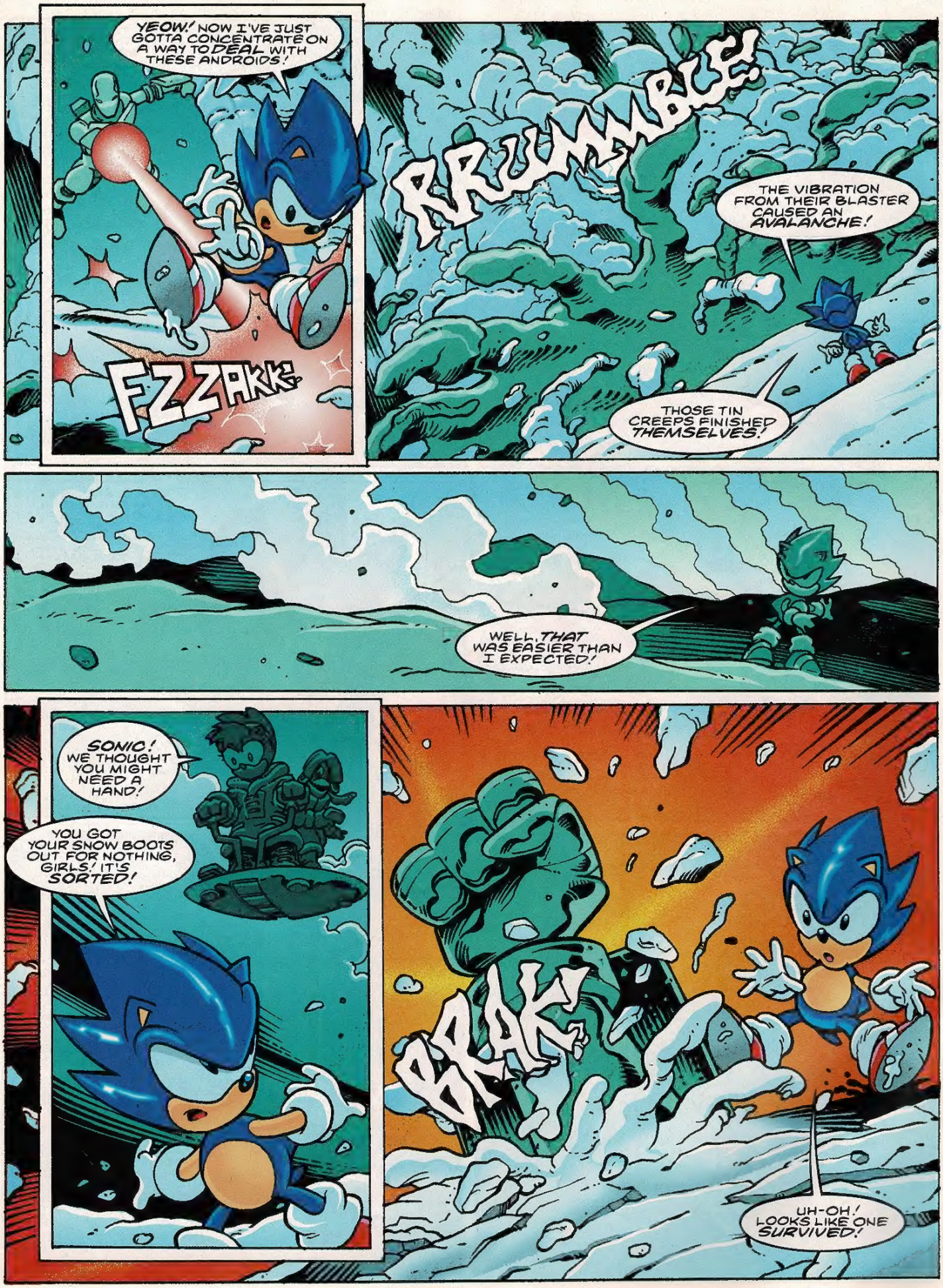
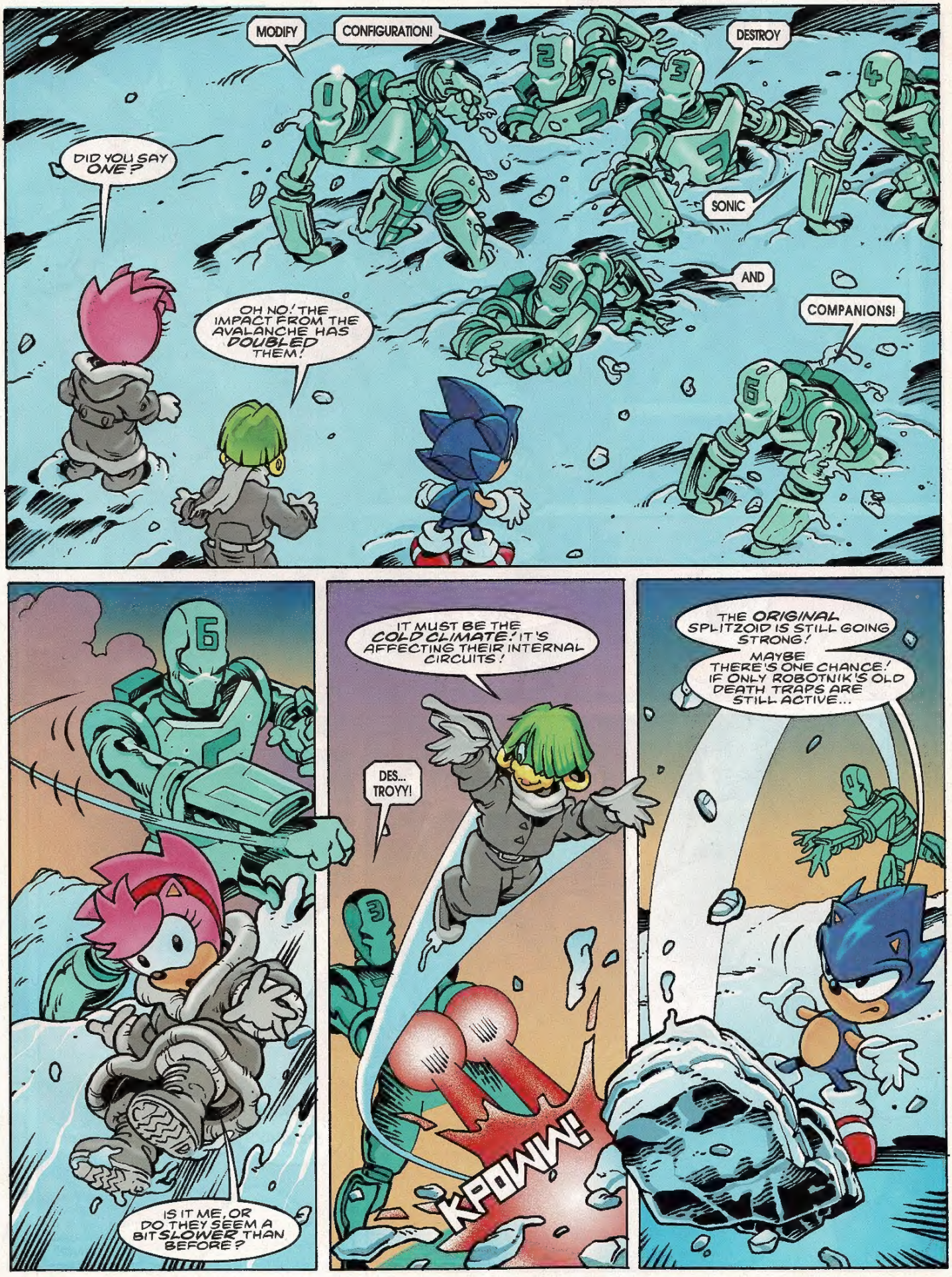
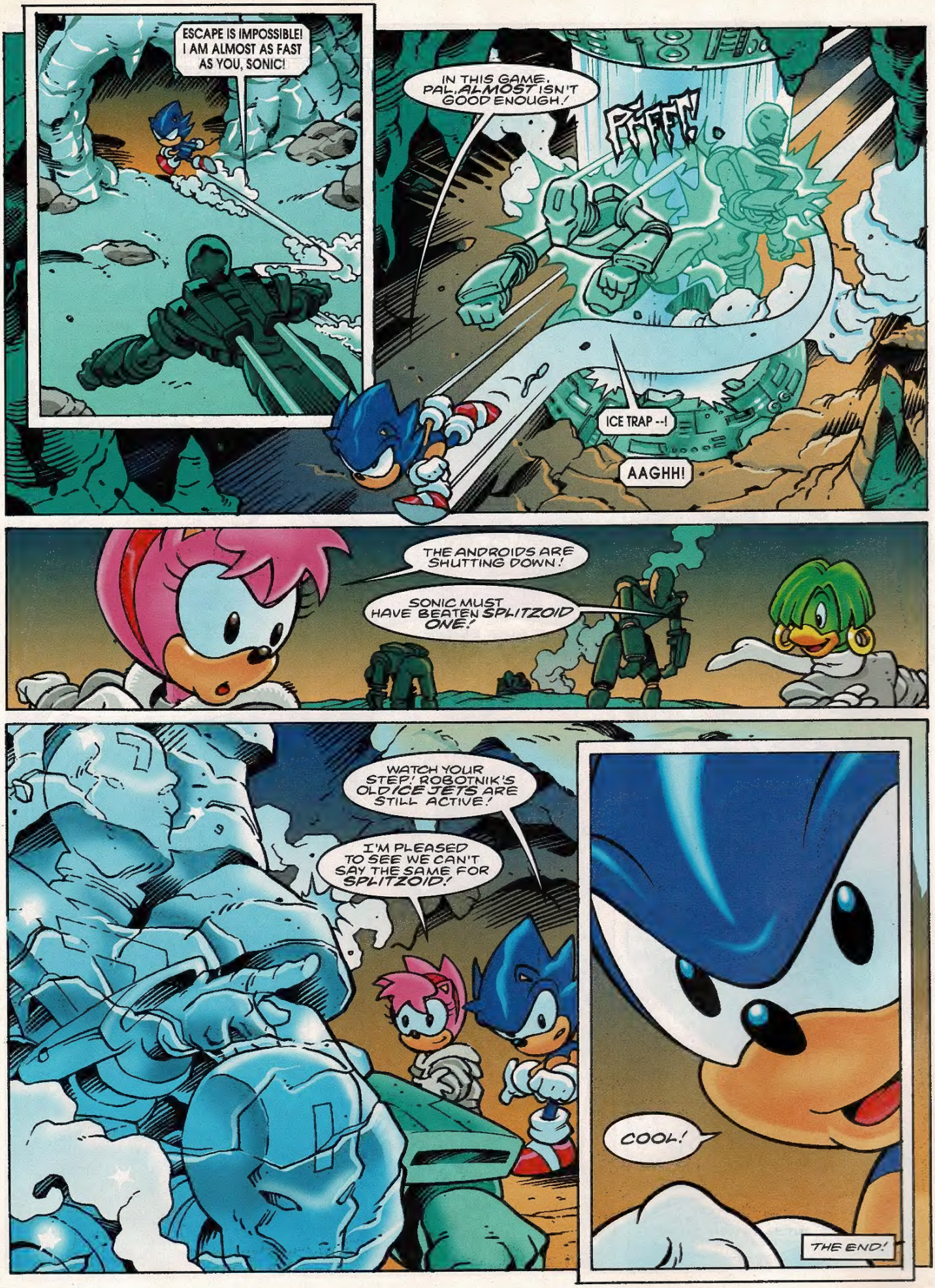

THE EMERALD HILL ZONE...
GOT YOUR URGENT MESSAGE, TEKNO! WHAT'S UP?
I'M GETTING STRANGE READINGS FROM WITHIN THE RING OF ETERNITY!
SEEMS THAT SOME DANGEROUS NEW MENACE IS USING THE RING TO INVADE EMERALD HILL!
THIS IS JUST WHAT WE FEARED WHEN THE NEW ZONES BECAME ACTIVE!
QUIT THE CHAT, AMY! LET'S GET IN THERE AND STOP WHATEVER IT IS!
KRAZZ!
ARRGH!
I AM ANDROID R-G 1: SPLITZOID! CREATED FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF DESTROYING SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!
YEAH, I GUESSED THAT SOMEHOW!


IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN YOU TO PUT ME DOWN, CREEP!
WHAM!
WHAT? HAS THE IMPACT OF THAT SUPER SPIN ATTACK MADE ME SEE DOUBLE OR ARE THERE TWO OF THEM NOW?
IF IT'S AN HALLUCINATION, I'M SEEING IT TOO!
IMPACT-INDUCED REPLICANT ABILITY ENGAGED! CONTINUE PRIME DIRECTIVE -- SONIC DESTRUCTION!
BZZAMM!
WHAT DID HE SAY?
WHO CARES? MOVE IT!
I'M LIKE YOU, SONIC! I DON'T RUN FROM A FIGHT!
BLAM!


NOW THERE'S THREE OF THEM! WHAT IS GOING ON HERE?
I THINK I KNOW!
THEY MUST BE PROGRAMMED WITH AN ABILITY TO DUPLICATE THEMSELVES WHENEVER THEY'RE HIT!
OH, GREAT! SO WE CAN'T FIGHT BACK WITHOUT CREATING EVEN MORE OF THEM!
CONTINUE PROGRAM!
IT'S ME THEY'RE AFTER! GOT TO LEAD THEM AWAY FROM THE EMERALD HILL BEFORE THEY TRASH IT!
BZAKK!
KZAMM!
WHOA! THEY'RE ACTUALLY KEEPING UP WITH ME!
THE ICECAP ZONE! FAR ENOUGH AWAY FROM CIVILISATION TO PREVENT ANY INNOCENT BYSTANDERS GETTING HURT!


YEOW! NOW I'VE JUST GOTTA CONCENTRATE ON A WAY TO DEAL WITH THESE ANDROIDS!
FZZAKK
RRUMMBLE!
THE VIBRATION FROM THEIR BLASTER CAUSED AN AVALANCHE!
THOSE TIN CREEPS FINISHED THEMSELVES!
WELL, THAT WAS EASIER THAN I EXPECTED!
SONIC! WE THOUGHT YOU MIGHT NEED A HAND!
YOU GOT YOUR SNOW BOOTS OUT FOR NOTHING, GIRLS! IT'S SORTED!
BRAK
UH-OH! LOOKS LIKE ONE SURVIVED!


MODIFY
CONFIGURATION!
DESTROY
DID YOU SAY ONE?
SONIC
AND
COMPANIONS!
OH NO! THE IMPACT FROM THE AVALANCHE HAS DOUBLED THEM!
IS IT ME, OR DO THEY SEEM A BIT SLOWER THAN BEFORE?
IT MUST BE THE COLD CLIMATE! IT'S AFFECTING THEIR INTERNAL CIRCUITS!
DES... TROYY!
KPOW!
THE ORIGINAL SPLITZOID IS STILL GOING STRONG!
MAYBE THERE'S ONE CHANCE! IF ONLY ROBOTNIK'S OLD DEATH TRAPS ARE STILL ACTIVE...


ESCAPE IS IMPOSSIBLE! I AM ALMOST AS FAST AS YOU, SONIC!
IN THIS GAME, PAL, ALMOST ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH!
PHFF!
ICE TRAP --!
AAGHH!
THE ANDROIDS ARE SHUTTING DOWN!
SONIC MUST HAVE BEATEN SPLITZOID ONE!
WATCH YOUR STEP! ROBOTNIK'S OLD ICE JETS ARE STILL ACTIVE!
I'M PLEASED TO SEE WE CAN'T SAY THE SAME FOR SPLITZOID!
COOL!
THE END!

WIN

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Match colors and multiply contacts
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DE 2 A 5 JOUEURS
AGE: 5 TO 105
2 TO 5 PLAYERS

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Chromino has just been awarded the title of *Best New Game* by the National Association of Toy and Leisure Libraries – and they should know! *Chromino* costs £14.99 in the shops, but we have 10 copies to give away *absolutely free.*

HOW TO ENTER

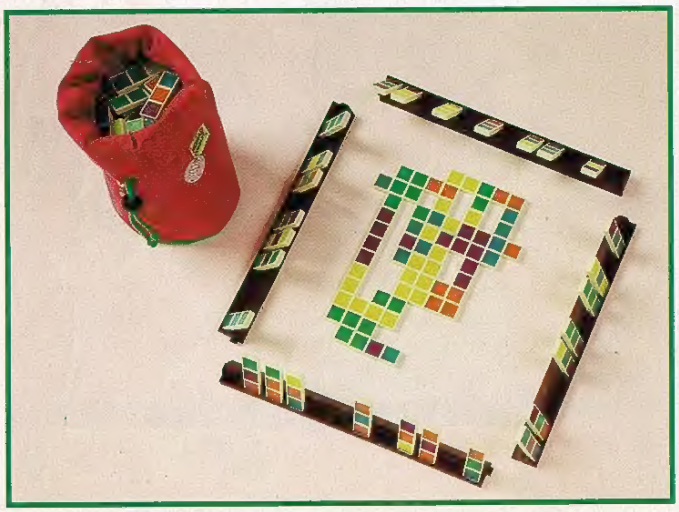
To enter the prize draw, just answer this easy question:

HOW MANY COLOURS ARE ON EACH CHROMINO PIECE?

Write your answer on a postcard, including your name and address, and post your entry to:

Chromino Competition
Sonic the Comic
PO Box 61
London WC1H 9SG

Entries must be received by is the closing date of 15th December 1999. Best of luck, Boomers!



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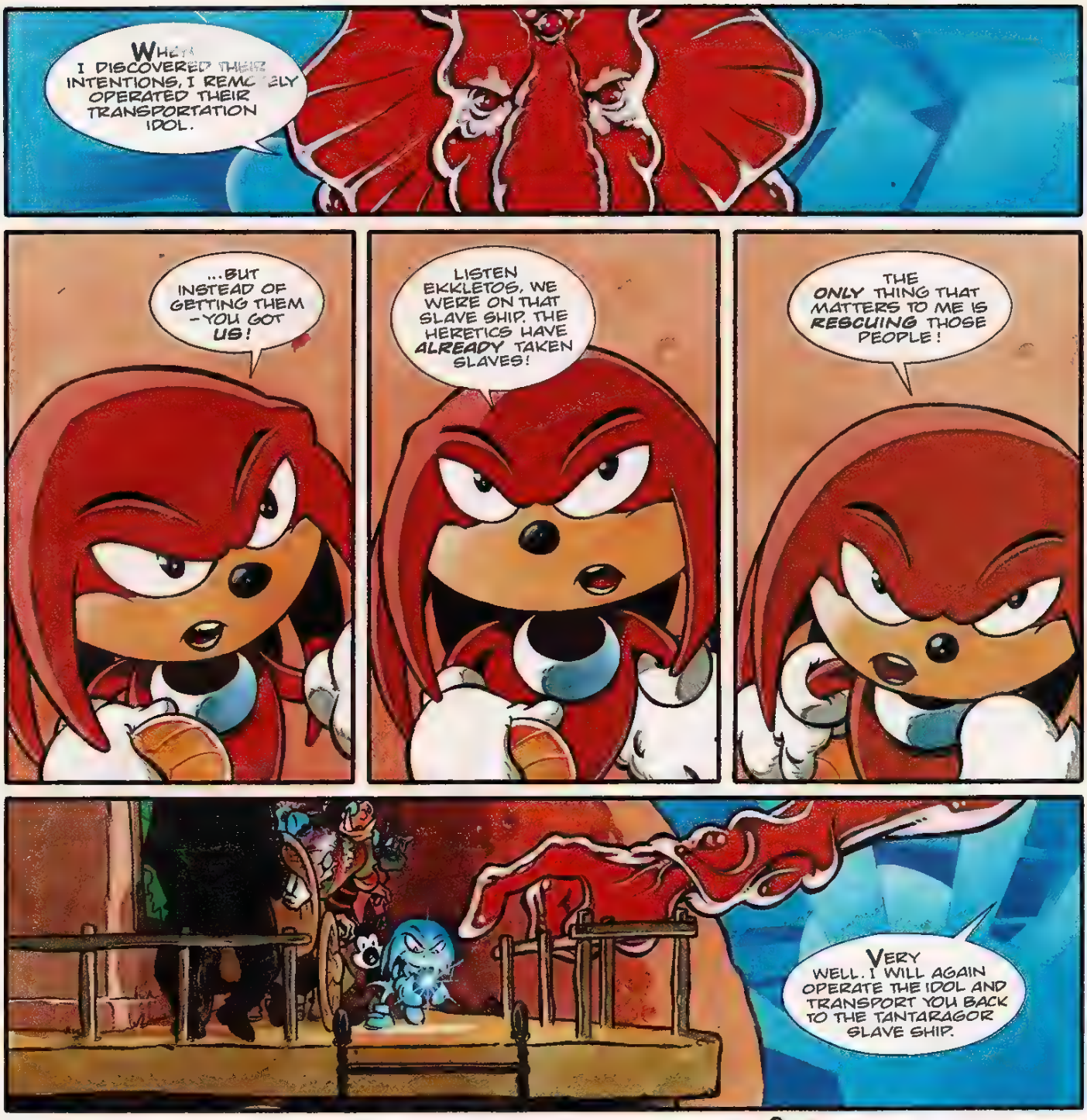
KNUCKLES, CAPTAIN PLUNDER AND A SMALL NUMBER OF PIRATES FIND THEMSELVES TRANSPORTED TO THE WEIRD TANTARAGOR DIMENSION.
WHAT HAVE YOU GOT US INTO, PLUNDER?
I'LL BE DARNED IF I KNOW, KNUCKLES, LAD!
!
I AM EKKLETOS, THE SPIRITUAL LEADER OF THE TANTARAR.
IDENTIFY YOURSELVES.
KNUCKLES™
The GHOST SHIP
Part 5
Script: NIGEL KITCHING
Art: NIGEL DOBBYN
Lettering: ELITTA FELL

SPEAK! HOW DID THE IDOL OF TANTARAGOR COME INTO YOUR POSSESSION?
IDOL, WHAT IDOL? I DON'T KNOW WHAT EE'S TALKING ABOUT, MATEY!
PLUNDER, THIS IS NO TIME TO TRY TO BE CLEVER!
HERE IS THE IDOL. THIS PIRATE STOLE IT FROM THE TANTARAGOR SHIP.
THANKS A LOT, KNUCKLES PAL!
I SEE. THIS IS MOST UNFORTUNATE.
LISTEN 'ERE, IF YOU WANT THE IDOL SO BADLY, MAYBE WE COULD MAKE A DEAL?
DON'T BE STUPID, PLUNDER! CAN'T YOU SEE WE'RE OUT OF OUR DEPTH HERE?
YOU FAIL TO UNDERSTAND.
WHEN I REMOTELY OPERATED THE IDOL, I EXPECTED TO TRANSPORT THE THREE HERETICS HERE. NOT YOU!
HERETICS? YOU MEAN THE THREE CREATURES WE MET ON THE TANTARAGOR SHIP?

THE CREATURES TO WHICH YOU REFER ARE FOLLOWERS OF THE EVIL PRIEST ORKYM-RO...
ORKYM-RO RECENTLY DIED AFTER A LONG ILLNESS.
'HIS BODY WAS PLACED IN A STONE COFFIN FOR TRANSPORT INTO THE AFTER-LIFE.'
'THE THREE YOU MET THEN TOOK A SHIP AND, USING THE IDOL, TRANSPORTED THEMSELVES TO YOUR WORLD.'
'YOU SEE, THE FOLLOWERS OF ORKYM-RO BELIEVE THAT THEIR MASTER MUST BE BURIED IN A SACRED MONUMENT.'
'AND TO BUILD SUCH A MONUMENT THEY NEEDED SLAVES. SLAVES WHICH THEY INTENDED TO GET FROM MOBIUS.'


WHEN I DISCOVERED THEIR INTENTIONS, I REMOTELY OPERATED THEIR TRANSPORTATION IDOL.
...BUT INSTEAD OF GETTING THEM -YOU GOT US!
LISTEN EKKLETOS, WE WERE ON THAT SLAVE SHIP. THE HERETICS HAVE ALREADY TAKEN SLAVES!
THE ONLY THING THAT MATTERS TO ME IS RESCUING THOSE PEOPLE!
VERY WELL. I WILL AGAIN OPERATE THE IDOL AND TRANSPORT YOU BACK TO THE TANTARAGOR SLAVE SHIP.
HE'S GONE!
AN' DON'T THINK I'VE FORGOTTEN WHO GOT US INTO THIS MESS!

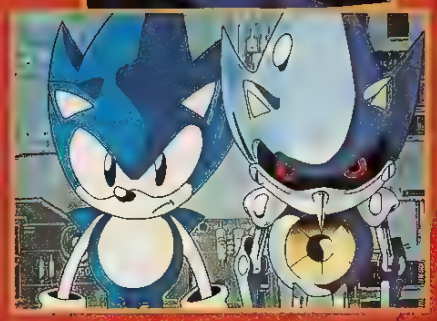
I'M HERE!
IT'S HOPELESS. NO ONE CAN SAVE US!
QUICK, EVERYONE! GET AS CLOSE TO ME AS YOU CAN... I'M GETTING YOU OUT OF HERE!
IT'S TOO LATE! THE TANTAROR ARE HERE...
RETURN TO US THE IDOL OF TANTARAGOR...OR FACE THE CONSEQUENCES!

NEXT: NO ESCAPE FOR KNUCKLES?

WIN SONIC THE MOVIE ON VIDEO!

That's right, Sonic the Hedgehog is starring in his own animated movie, filled with all the fast paced energy and action packed excitement the Blue Bomber famous for!

Sonic's arch-enemy Dr Robotnik has been banished by an evil Metal Robotnik. And if that wasn't bad enough, the devious doctor tells Sonic that the planet is about to be blown to kingdom come!



But what could possibly make Sonic trust his worst enemy? What could make him risk life and paw? And just who is the mysterious Hyper Metal Sonic? The answer to all these questions and more can be found in *Sonic The Movie!*

Sonic The Movie is in the shops now, but we have 10 copies to give away *free!* To enter the prize draw, just answer this simple brain-teaser:

WHAT KIND OF CREATURE IS KNUCKLES?

Write your answer on a postcard, including your name and address, and post your entry to:

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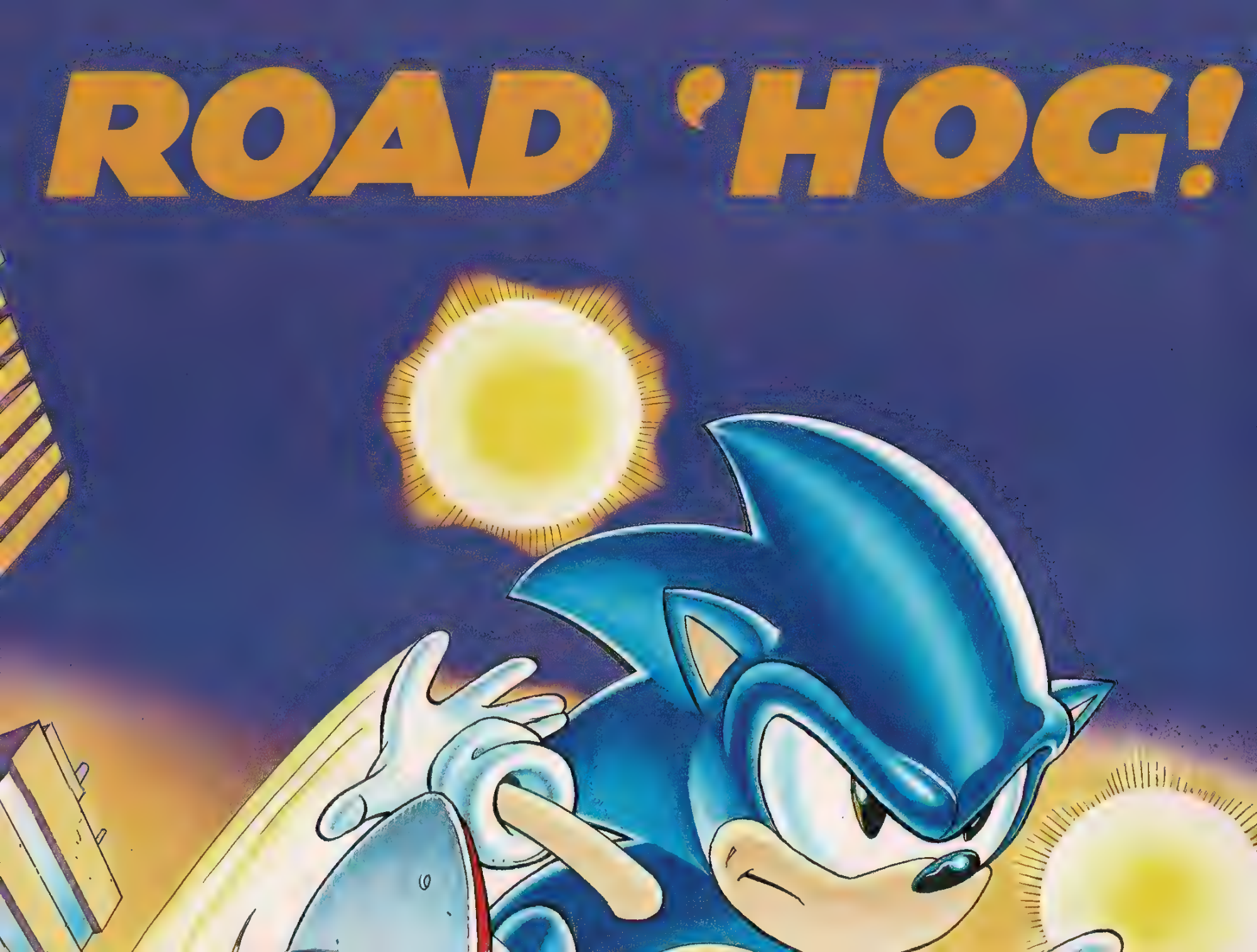
ROAD 'HOG!



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Sonic Of The Jungle

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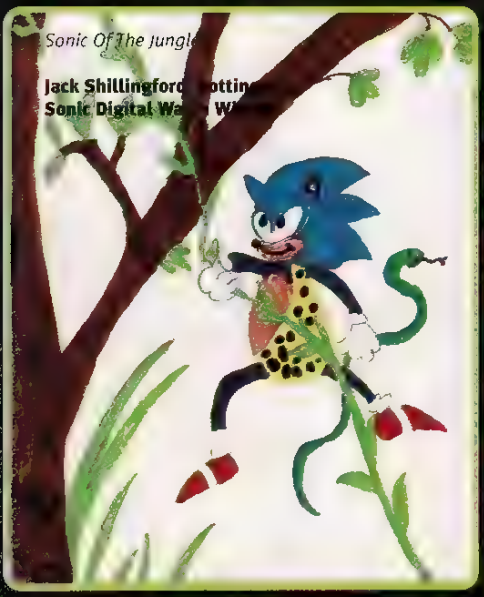
Sonic Digital Wa[illegible] W



The names's Bond... Sonic Bond!

Andrew Edmiston, Southampton
Sonic Digital Watch Winner!

Alkaddin Sonic!
Jade Braithwaite, London
Sonic Digital Watch Winner!

Sonic Skywalker!
Andrew Tharratt, York
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Starship Sonic!
Ryan Hanson-McCalla, Nottingham
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TO DEFEAT A MENACE SUCH AS THIS, WE NEED YOU... MOBIUS' GREATEST HERO!
LOOK, ABOUT THOSE LETTERS I WROTE...
Tails
TROGG AWAITS YOU ON THE DIMENSION BRIDGE. IF HE SHOULD DEFEAT OUR CHAMPION, HE WILL BE ABLE TO BRING HIS INVADING ARMY OF BERSERKERS INTO OUR PEACEFUL LAND.
HAH! THAT SHRIMP IS YOUR CHAMPION? THIS IS GOING TO BE EVEN EASIER THAN I THOUGHT!
HOW CAN I TELL EVERYBODY THAT I STRETCHED THE TRUTH A LITTLE IN MY LETTERS HOME?
IF SONIC EVER FINDS OUT HE'LL KILL ME!

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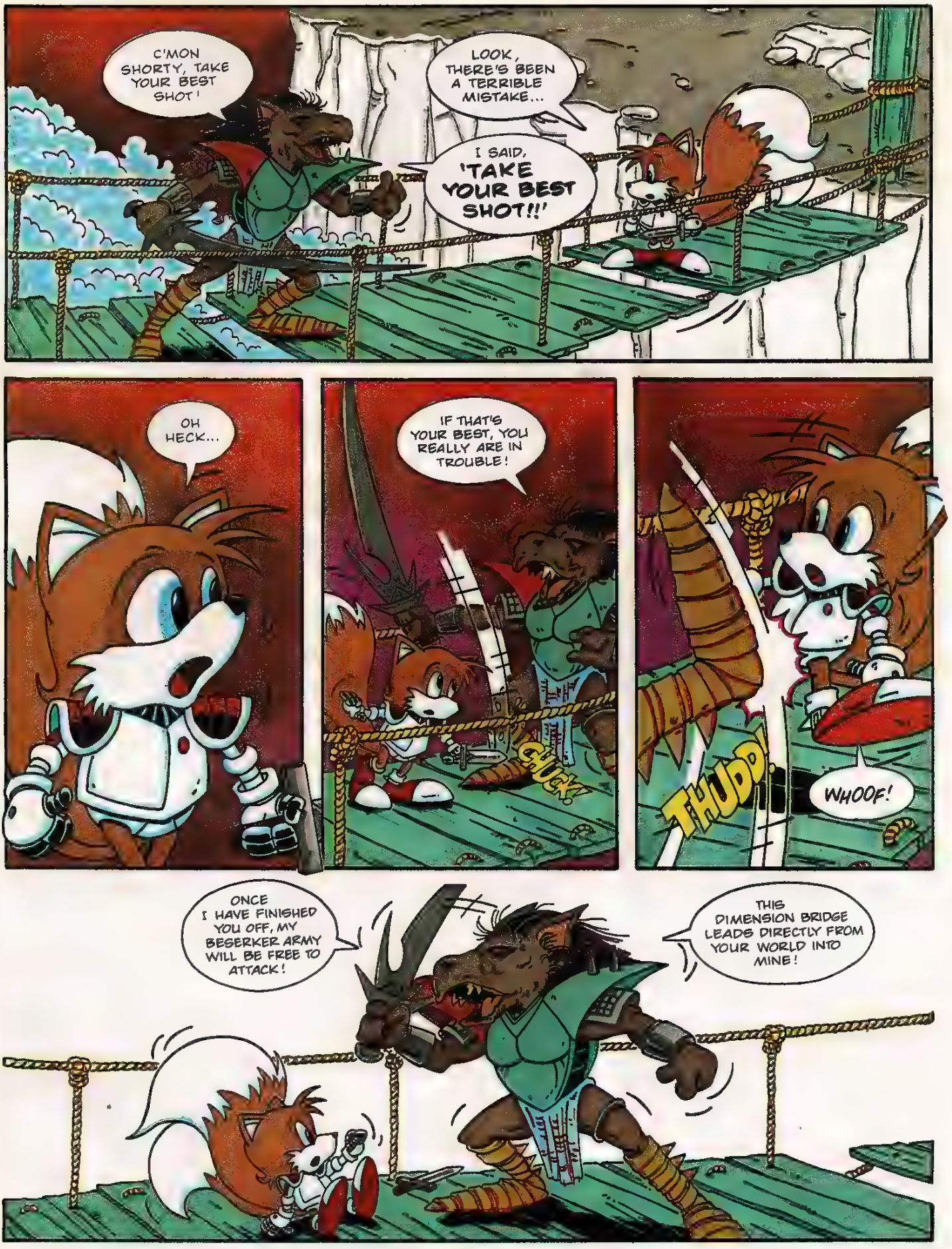
C'MON SHORTY, TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT!
LOOK, THERE'S BEEN A TERRIBLE MISTAKE...
I SAID, 'TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT!!'
OH HECK...
IF THAT'S YOUR BEST, YOU REALLY ARE IN TROUBLE!
GUCK!
THUDD!
WHOOF!
ONCE I HAVE FINISHED YOU OFF, MY BESERKER ARMY WILL BE FREE TO ATTACK!
THIS DIMENSION BRIDGE LEADS DIRECTLY FROM YOUR WORLD INTO MINE!

SO MUCH FOR MY CAREER AS A HERO...
TWANG!
YAAAH!
I'VE WON! THE LITTLE CREEP FELL TO HIS DOOM!
WELL NOW, I WOULDN'T SAY THAT EXACTLY! NOW YOU HAD BETTER SURRENDER OR THERE MIGHT BE A LITTLE ACCIDENT WITH THE BRIDGE'S OTHER ROPE...

HEY, HOW ABOUT THAT? IN THIS MAGIC ARMOUR I CAN FLY REALLY WELL!
YAY TAILS!
WE'RE SAVED!
QUICKLY TAILS, THE PORTAL BACK TO MOBIUS IS BEGINNING TO FADE!
YOU MUST HURRY OR RISK STAYING IN THE NAMELESS ZONE FOREVER!
AND SO...
FAREWELL TAILS.
THE ENCHANTED ARMOUR CANNOT LEAVE THIS ZONE, BUT WE WILL KEEP IT SAFE. WE MAY HAVE NEED OF OUR CHAMPION AGAIN, ONE DAY.
THE EMERALD HILL ZONE.
NICE GOING BUDDY! I ASKED YOU TO KEEP OUT OF MY WAY AND FOR ONCE YOU ACTUALLY DID. SO, WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO?
OH, NOTHING SONIC ...NOTHING AT ALL.
NEXT ISSUE: A NEW TALE.

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

Ice Cap Attack PART 1

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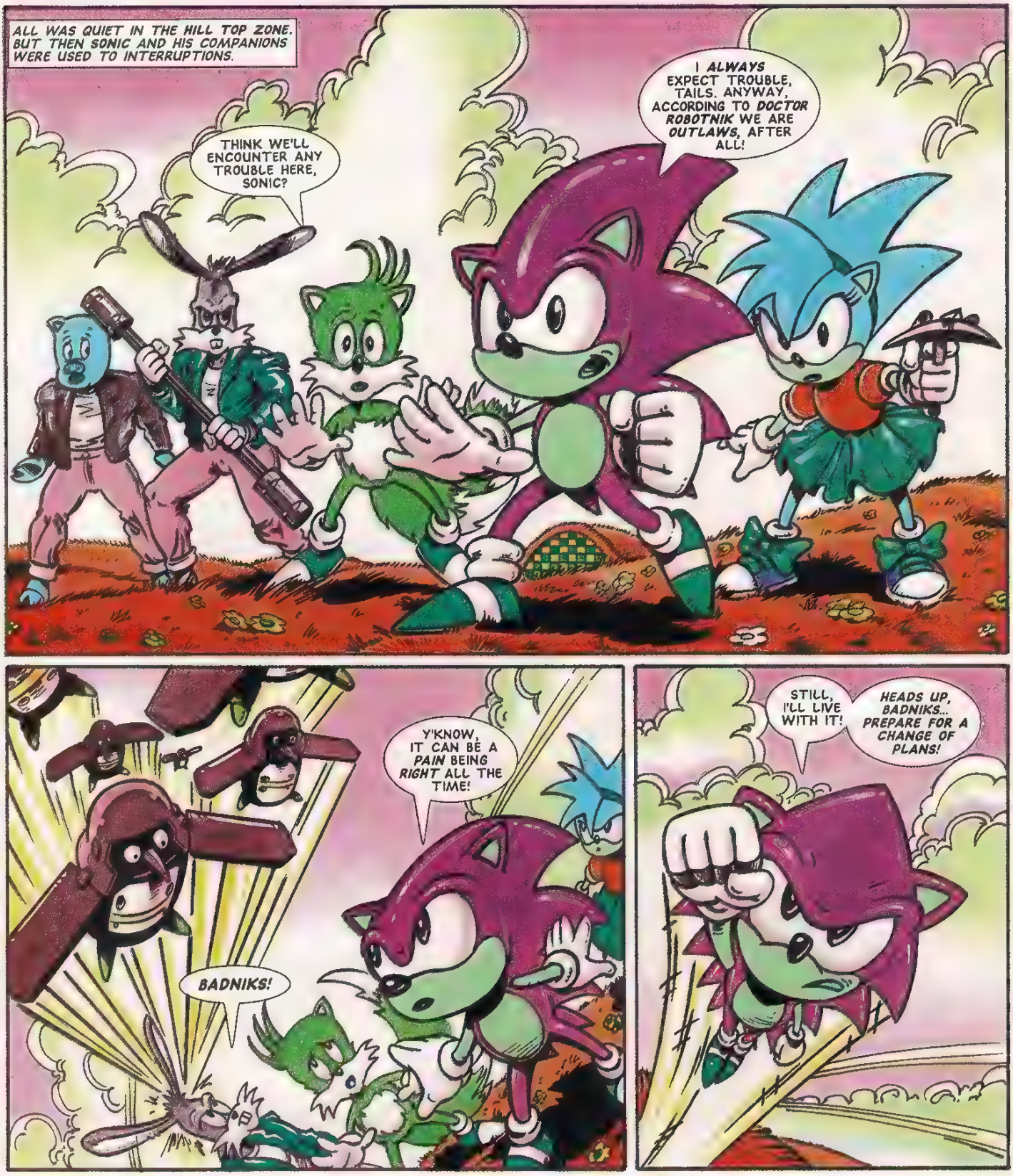
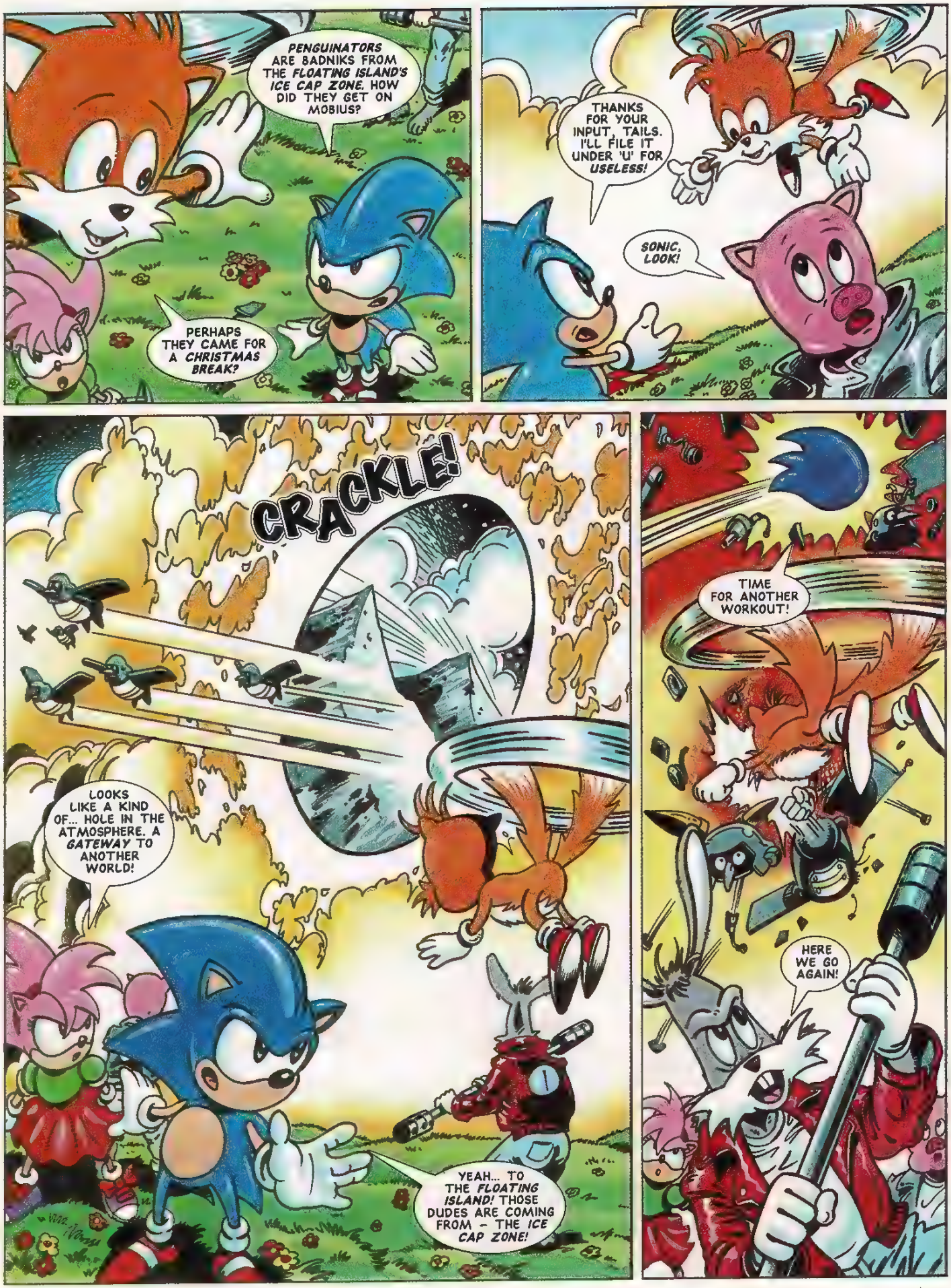
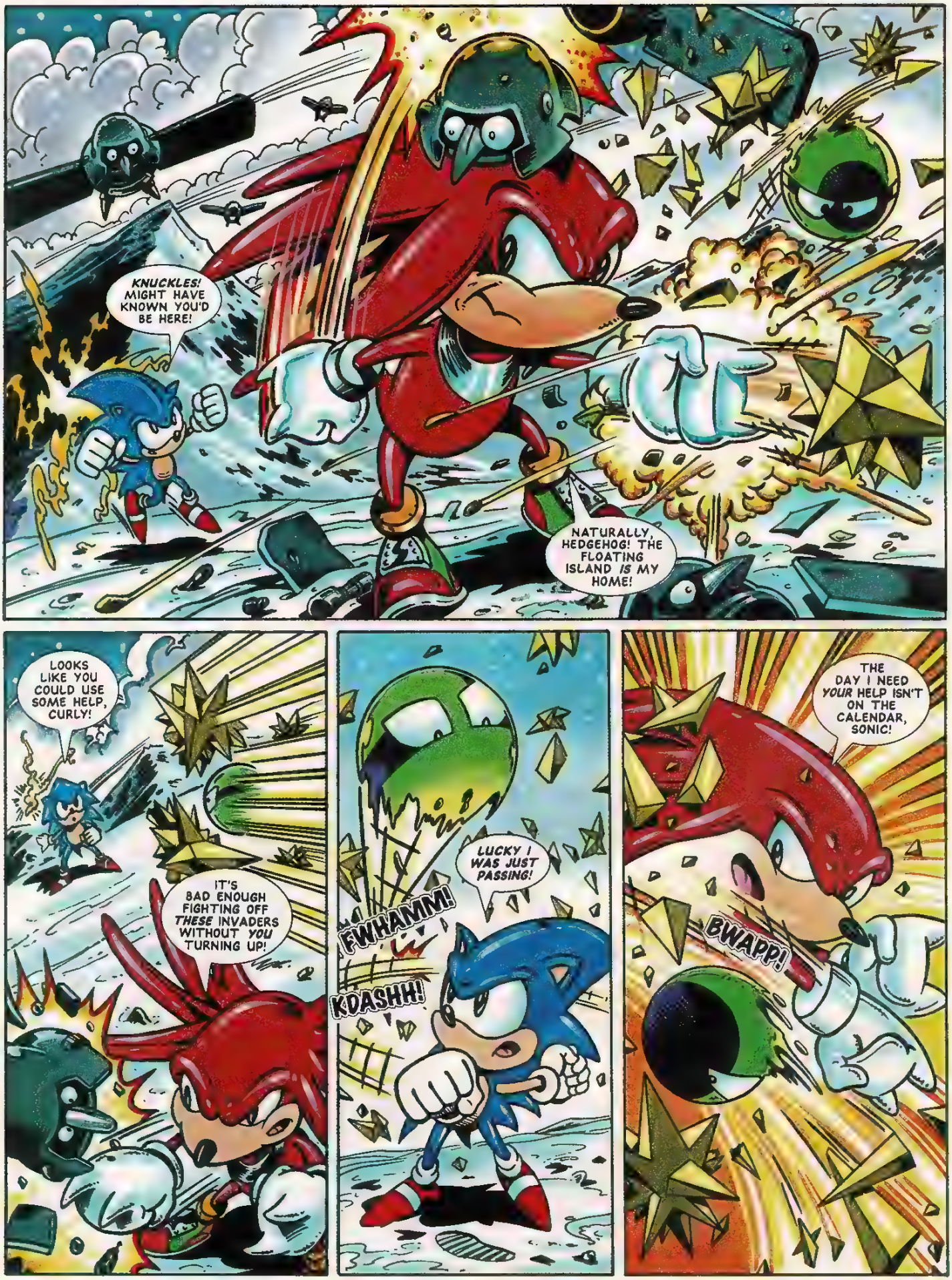

ALL WAS QUIET IN THE HILL TOP ZONE. BUT THEN SONIC AND HIS COMPANIONS WERE USED TO INTERRUPTIONS.
THINK WE'LL ENCOUNTER ANY TROUBLE HERE, SONIC?
I ALWAYS EXPECT TROUBLE, TAILS. ANYWAY, ACCORDING TO DOCTOR ROBOTNIK WE ARE OUTLAWS, AFTER ALL!
Y'KNOW, IT CAN BE A PAIN BEING RIGHT ALL THE TIME!
BADNIKS!
STILL, I'LL LIVE WITH IT!
HEADS UP, BADNIKS... PREPARE FOR A CHANGE OF PLANS!

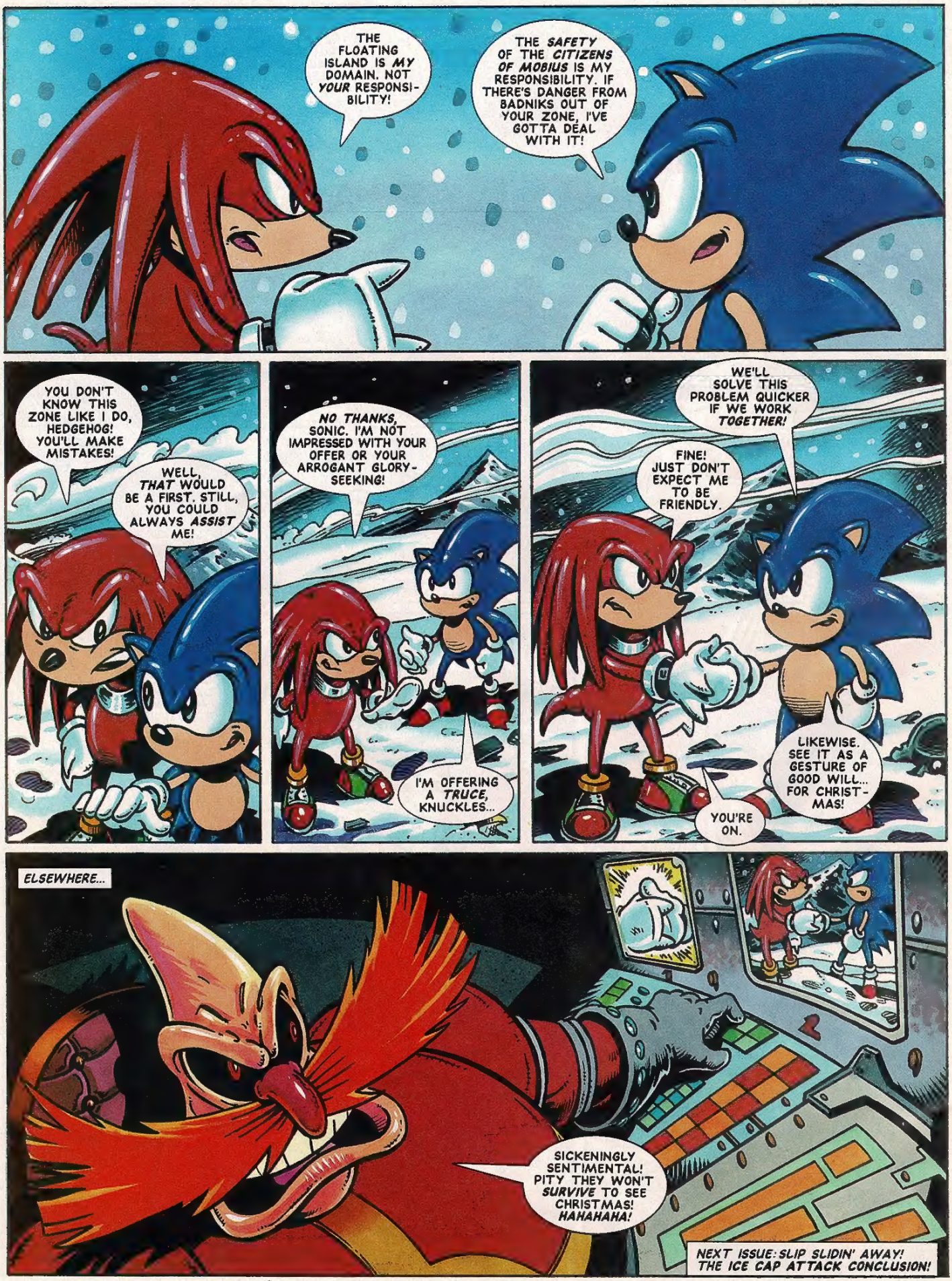
SORRY, PALS!
THUMFF!
BWAFF!
BACK OFF, BADNIK... YOU'RE INVADING MY SPACE!
HEY, GUYS! TWO ON ONE ISN'T FAIR!
USE THOSE TAILS, PIXEL-BRAIN!
OH YEAH! GOOD THINKING, SONIC!
SOMEONE HAS TO DO IT!
SMASH!
WE DID IT! WE BEAT THEM!
YEAH, BUT WHY WERE PENGUINATORS IN THE HILL TOP ZONE?


PENGUINATORS ARE BADNIKS FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND'S ICE CAP ZONE. HOW DID THEY GET ON MOBIUS?
PERHAPS THEY CAME FOR A CHRISTMAS BREAK?
THANKS FOR YOUR INPUT, TAILS. I'LL FILE IT UNDER 'U' FOR USELESS!
SONIC, LOOK!
CRACKLE!
LOOKS LIKE A KIND OF... HOLE IN THE ATMOSPHERE. A GATEWAY TO ANOTHER WORLD!
YEAH... TO THE FLOATING ISLAND! THOSE DUDES ARE COMING FROM - THE ICE CAP ZONE!
TIME FOR ANOTHER WORKOUT!
HERE WE GO AGAIN!

WOW, SONIC! I'M IMPRESSED!
TELL ME SOMETHING I DON'T KNOW!
I THINK WE'RE WINNING, SONIC!
GOOD! YOU GUYS FINISH OFF HERE...
...AND I'LL DEAL WITH THE CAUSE OF THE TROUBLE!
zOOM!
SONIC, BE CAREFUL! YOU MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO GET...
BACK!
OH DEAR!


KNUCKLES! MIGHT HAVE KNOWN YOU'D BE HERE!
NATURALLY, HEDGEHOG! THE FLOATING ISLAND *IS* MY HOME!
LOOKS LIKE YOU COULD USE SOME HELP, CURLY!
IT'S BAD ENOUGH FIGHTING OFF *THESE* INVADERS WITHOUT *YOU* TURNING UP!
FWHAMM!
KDASHH!
LUCKY I WAS JUST PASSING!
THE DAY I NEED *YOUR* HELP ISN'T ON THE CALENDAR, SONIC!
BWAPP!

GET THE PICTURE?
NOT BAD, BUT YOU FORGOT THE FIRST RULE OF FIGHTING THESE CREEPS...
...NEVER TURN YOUR BACK ON A BADNIK!
SMAASH!
I... APPRECIATE YOUR HELP, SONIC. NOW STATE YOUR BUSINESS HERE OR LEAVE MY ISLAND!
WELL, I SURE HAVEN'T COME TO GIVE YOU A CHRISTMAS PRESENT, PAL!
SOMEHOW, THE BADNIKS HAVE DISCOVERED A GATEWAY BETWEEN DIMENSIONS, AND ARE TRAVELLING FROM THE FLOATING ISLAND TO MOBIUS!
I'VE GOTTA FIND AND DESTROY THE TECHNOLOGY BEHIND IT!


THE FLOATING ISLAND IS *MY* DOMAIN. NOT *YOUR* RESPONSIBILITY!
THE *SAFETY* OF THE *CITIZENS OF MOBIUS* IS MY RESPONSIBILITY. IF THERE'S DANGER FROM BADNIKS OUT OF YOUR ZONE, I'VE GOTTA DEAL WITH IT!
YOU DON'T KNOW THIS ZONE LIKE I DO, HEDGEHOG! YOU'LL MAKE MISTAKES!
WELL, *THAT* WOULD BE A FIRST. STILL, YOU COULD ALWAYS *ASSIST* ME!
NO THANKS, SONIC. I'M NOT IMPRESSED WITH YOUR OFFER OR YOUR ARROGANT GLORY-SEEKING!
I'M OFFERING A *TRUCE*, KNUCKLES...
WE'LL SOLVE THIS PROBLEM QUICKER IF WE WORK *TOGETHER!*
FINE! JUST DON'T EXPECT ME TO BE FRIENDLY.
LIKEWISE. SEE IT AS A GESTURE OF GOOD WILL... FOR CHRISTMAS!
YOU'RE ON.
ELSEWHERE...
SICKENINGLY SENTIMENTAL! PITY THEY WON'T *SURVIVE* TO SEE CHRISTMAS! *HAHAHAHA!*
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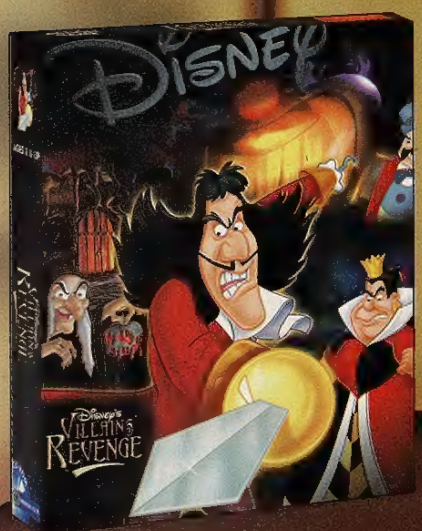

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